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Messrs. et Mesdames:

Last year Mr. Timberg's English 308SP class, "Popular Culture by Genre," compiled a journal which included excerpts from individual papers on different aspects of popular culture. The class' original intention was that the journal be distributed throughout the English 308SP classes and be used as a resource for further research and discussion. These plans were hampered, however, by a lack of funds. The final result was a quickly printed and assembled set of 50 copies (one is enclosed). The few extra copies available were distributed among the English teachers, but there were not enough extras to hand out to a wider number of students for comments and reactions. Another problem was that the journal did not come out until the final week of class, so the original intention of using the journal as an object of class discussion was completely lost.

It has come to our attention, however, that your committee has funds available to aid English classes in their endeavors. We feel that a \$100 grant from you would enable us to reach the goal set by last year's class. The money would be used for somewhat better quality printing and also insure that enough copies would be available for all the English 308SP classes. We feel this journal can be of great impact, not only as a reference work in the field of popular culture (where primary research is still woefully inadequate), but also as a research guide for future classes.

We hope you will consider the merits of our proposal and give serious thought to our request for a grant of \$100 to help fund our project. We appreciate any time you spend in consideration and hope your reply is a favorable one.

Sincerely,

Finance and Printing Committee

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Leslie Hoover".

Leslie Hoover  
Secretary